Amendment No. 1 to HB2021

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AMEND Senate Bill No. 2061

House Bill No. 2021*

by deleting all language after the enacting clause and by substituting instead the following:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39, Chapter 17, Part 13, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

- (a) A private or public employer who permits the transportation, storage, and possession of a firearm in the parking area of the employer's property by any person who can lawfully possess a firearm in public shall not be liable in any civil action for damages resulting from or arising out of any occurrence involving the firearm on the employer's property, unless:
 - (1) The employer commits a criminal act involving the use of the firearm; or
 - (2) The employer knew that the person possessing such firearm would commit a criminal act on the employer's premises.
- (b) Subsection (a) of this section shall not apply where possession of a firearm on the premises of the employer's property is prohibited by state or federal law or regulation.
- (c) This section shall not be construed to require an employer who permits firearm possession in the parking area pursuant to subsection (a) to implement any additional security measures for the protection of employees, customers, or other persons. Implementation of remedial security measures to provide protection to employees, customers, or other persons shall not be admissible in evidence to show prior negligence or breach of duty of an employer in any action against such employer, its officers or shareholders, or property owners.

SECTION 2 . This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare

requiring it.